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DTSC Begins Soil Removal at Jordan High School

Los Angeles --- The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has started removing contaminated soil from the baseball field at Jordan High School in Los Angeles. DTSC is inviting members of the media to come to the site to observe the work being done and speak with staff regarding the project.

The baseball field at Jordan High School is a 2.1 acre site adjacent to classrooms and other sports facilities. The Los Angeles Unified School District requested that DTSC investigate possible health and safety risks at the school after an accident occurred at S&W Atlas Iron and Metal Company which is adjacent to the school on the east side of the baseball field. The investigation revealed elevated levels of heavy metals. DTSC is paying for the removal action which is slated to be completed sometime in July.

Date: June 24, 2004
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: 2265 East 103rd Street
Los Angeles, CA
(front of the school)

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